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2010

INVESTIGATING OFFICERS

Sergeant Dan Scott

TIME OF CALL 1613 HOURS

DATE October 26, 2010

DAY Tuesday

CLASSIFICATION Arrest of Rape Suspect

REPORTING OFFICER Sergeant Dan Scott

TIME OF OCCURRENCE / DISCOVERY Between 2008-2010

UNIT Special Victims Bureau

LOCATION Palmdale

DATE

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AND SECTION

C/P LOC

VICTIM(S) Female Hispanic / 11

SUSPECT(S) Christopher Martinez, MH / 33

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NARRATIVE:

After concluding a two-month investigation into the circumstances surrounding the rape and molestation of an 11-year-old Palmdale girl, detectives from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Special Victims Bureau arrested her biological father, Christopher Martinez.

The investigation began August 13, 2010, when the victim reported to Palmdale Station deputies that, over the course of the last two years, she had been repeatedly raped and sexually assaulted by her father. The incidents took place in several locations, including the suspect's residence in Palmdale and a rented Antelope Valley motel room.

On September 15, 2010, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's office filed five felony counts against Martinez. A warrant was issued for his arrest with a bail amount of \$4,000,000. Despite aggressive attempts to locate Martinez, the search was unsuccessful.

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Today, Special Victims Bureau detectives learned Martinez's vehicle was parked in the area of 5th Street and Westmoreland Street, Los Angeles. The detectives went to the nearby residence of one of Martinez's relatives, and saw the suspect inside the location. Detectives were let into the location and arrested Martinez without incident, for the charge of committing a Sex Act With a Minor Under Ten Years of Age.

Martinez is being held in lieu of \$4,000,000 bail and is scheduled for arraignment on Thursday, October 28, 2010, at the Antelope Valley Municipal Courthouse.